

Frank Long

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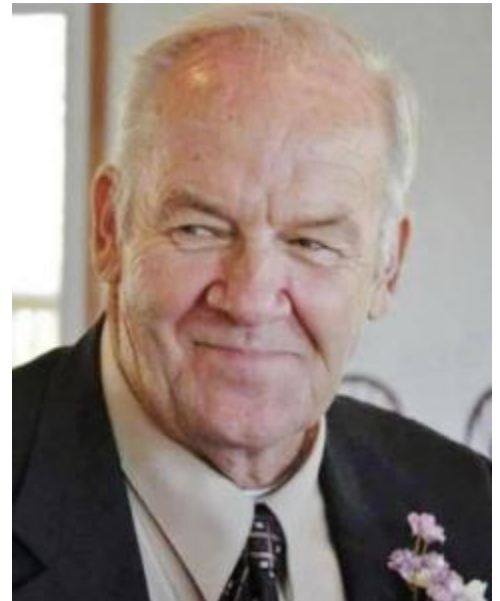
Frank Spencer Long, 86, passed away on February 14th after a courageous battle with Alzheimer's. His hard working hands are at rest.

Frank was born in Pearl, IL on October 6, 1937 to Raymond and Grace (Butler) Long. Frank married Linda "Sue" (Battershell) June 7, 1958. Frank worked at Laclede Steel for 31 years. After retirement he was able to then dedicate his full attention to his car lot, Long's Auto Sales, which he and Sue ran for 40 years. At this time he began his favorite job being a full time grandpa. Frank also served on Macoupin County Board from 2006- 2020.

In addition to his wife he is survived by daughters Becky (Robert) Kurdziel of East Alton, IL and Julie (John) Warren of Rogers, AR; grandchildren Jeffrey (Rachael Swift) Alexander, Jr. of Brighton and Abby (Sam) Millitello of New Berlin, IL; great-grandchildren, Delhia Alexander, Hayzel Alexander, Isla Alexander, Etta Alexander, Spencer Millitello and Isabel Millitello; as well as special friend and former son-in-law Jeff Alexander, Sr. In addition, he is survived by a sister-in-law Bona Jackson. He was the beloved Uncle to many nieces and nephews.

Frank was a member of the Vaughn Hill Church of Christ and attended church regularly. He loved God and trusted Jesus as his Lord and Savior and was confident of his eternal life with Him. Frank enjoyed a full and prosperous life. He was a gentle, kind, generous and loving soul...a classic like the many cars he loved to tinker with. He wasn't much in the kitchen but he made the best ice cream sundaes. He never left his wife, kids or grandkids without a kiss goodbye even in his last moments.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters and brothers-in-law Sylvia (Art) Barnes, Alberta (Sonny) Camerer, sister-in-law Bettie (Bert) Hamblem, brother-in-law Leon Jackson; three nephews Gary Camerer, Larry Barnes, and Jack Barnes who was like a son, and two nieces Debbie Barnes and Kathie Hamblem.



Visitation and Funeral Services will be held on Monday, Feb. 19, 2024 at Vaughn Hill Church of Christ in East Alton, IL. Visitation will begin at 10:00, funeral will follow at 11:00 with a meal provided.

Even in death Frank gave himself. His wishes were to be donated to Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, MO for research.